

On January 19, 2006, at about 9:00 a.m., a roof bolter operator was injured when the roof bolting machine was being backed out of the working place by another roof bolter operator. The roof bolter machine was trammed upon a slab of slick-sided draw rock on the left side and slid to the right. The victim was attempting to move the machine's cable and was caught between the rib and the right side of the Automated Temporary Roof Support. The injured miner sustained 3 broken ribs on his right side, a fractured right collar bone, a bruised lung, and a fractured sternum.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. No miner shall place himself or be placed in a pinch point between equipment and a rib or face.
- 2. Haulage roads shall be maintained reasonably free of bottom irregularities, excess spillage, debris, wet or muddy conditions that make controlling equipment difficult.

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